

DL/ID Card Organ & Tissue Donor Indicator

New Information

The California driver license and identification card (DL/ID) have undergone a minor change in appearance. Effective July 1, 2006, an individual who indicates on the DL/ID card application to have his/her name added to the Donate Life California, Organ and Tissue Donor Registry will have a "pink dot" embedded in his/her DL/ID card.

Procedures

When reviewing DL/ID cards, note that individuals who:

- elect to be organ and tissue donors on or after July 1, 2006, will have the embedded "pink dot" on their DL/ID cards. The "pink dot" is located near the bottom of the DL/ID card, between the photo and signature.
- elect to be organ and tissue donors prior to July 1, 2006, may have the paper "pink dot" on their DL/ID cards.

The "pink dot" is an indication that DMV enrolled the individual into the Donate Life California Organ and Tissue Donor Registry, not verification of the individual's current status in the registry. Only representatives of the Donate Life California Organ and Tissue Donor Registry can verify an individual's status in the registry.

Background

On July 1, 2006, DMV was required by law to collect and transmit organ and tissue donor information, and/or a \$2 voluntary contribution to Donate Life California.

Before July 1, 2006, individuals who wished to be organ and tissue donors received a paper "pink dot" and were instructed to affix it to their DL/ID cards. This new legislation requires that the indicator be permanent.

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